UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
09/685,052	10/06/2000	Brian Wesley Damon	LE9-99-149	3140
21972 7590 02/23/2009 LEXMARK INTERNATIONAL, INC. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW DEPARTMENT 740 WEST NEW CIRCLE ROAD BLDG. 082-1			EXAMINER	
			THOMPSON, JAMES A	
			ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER
LEXINGTON,	LEXINGTON, KY 40550-0999		2625	
			MAIL DATE	DELIVERY MODE
			02/23/2009	PAPER

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte BRIAN WESLEY DAMON, SHAUN TIMOTHY LOVE and CARY PATTERSON RAVITZ

Application No. 09/685,052 Technology Center 2600

Mailed: February 23, 2009

Before PAMELA S. BENNETT, Review Team Paralegal. BENNETT, Review Team Paralegal.

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on February 9, 2009. A review of the application revealed that it is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the Examiner to address the following matter requiring attention prior to docketing.

EXAMINER'S ANSWER, HEADINGS

A review of the file indicates that the Examiner's Answer mailed February 9, 2006 does not comply with the guidelines provided in § 1207.02 of the *Manual of Patent Examining Procedure* (MPEP) (Eighth Edition, Rev. 4, October 2005) because it does not contain all of the required heading items. Specifically, the Examiner's Answer is missing the "(11) *Related Proceedings Appendix*."

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is **ORDERED** that the application is returned to the Examiner:

- 1) to issue a PTOL-90 which corrects the Examiner's Answer mailed February 9, 2006 by providing the "(11) *Related Proceedings Appendix*"; and
 - 2) for such further action as may be appropriate.

If there are any questions pertaining to this Order, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797.

PSB

Lexmark International, Inc. Intellectual Property Department 740 West New Circle Road Bldg. 082-1 Lexington, KY 40550-0999